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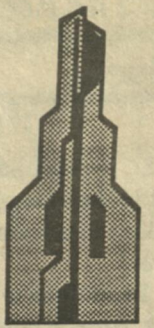
Since 1913...

WEEKEND WEATHER...

Today: Mostly cloudy, 30 percent chance of showers, high around 70.

Saturday: Partly sunny, high in the lower 70's.

Sunday: Dry and cool, high around 70.



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ISSUE TWO

"Ye shall know the truth"

SEPTEMBER 8, 1995

National and International News

✪ Bosnian Serb military commander Gen. Ratko Mladic continues to refuse UN demands to withdraw all heavy weapons from around Sarajevo and agree to a cease-fire. Peace talks are set for today.

✪ Pope John Paul II met with PLO leader Yasser Arafat and praised Palestinian and Israeli peace efforts. The meeting was the first for the two since the Vatican and PLO established diplomatic ties in October 1994.

✪ Defying international protests, France set off a nuclear blast beneath a South Pacific atoll on Wednesday, beginning a series of up to eight nuclear tests. The blast equalled less than 20,000 tons of TNT whereas the atomic bomb that destroyed Hiroshima was equal to about 15,000 tons of TNT. Ships carrying environmental protesters surrounded the area.

✪ The U.S. and Panama agreed to hold informal talks on the possibility of retaining a U.S. military presence after Panama assumes control of the Panama Canal after 1999. Both countries are showing interest in retaining an American presence for fighting narcotics traffickers and facilitating humanitarian relief.

✪ Orioles' Cal Ripken broke Lou Gehrig's unbreakable record Wednesday when he played his 2,131st consecutive game.

Campus Calendar

Saturday, September 9

- ✓ SAC Sand V-ball Tournament
- ✓ ICC Games, Ski Show & Cookout at the Lake

Monday, September 11

- ✓ Spiritual Renewal Week - Jill Briscoe
- ✓ 31st Annual Science Seminar Dr. Hank Voss - 4p.m. NL101
- ✓ Evening Service 7 p.m. R/A

Wednesday, September 13

- ✓ Volleyball vs. Defiance 5:30p.m.

compiled by Kelly Booster

Renewal week aims to sustain revival

By Laurie Hunderfund
associate editor

Any number of distractions can be the culprit of losing a firm grip on one's spiritual life, but every semester Taylor students have one week designed specifically for resetting God as the number one priority.

Spiritual renewal week begins Monday and this semester's speaker is Jill Briscoe, a woman known for her ministries in a wide variety of areas.

Briscoe resides in Brookfield, Wis., but is originally from Liverpool, England. She is not new to Taylor, her last speaking engagement here was six years ago.

The Taylor community is gearing up to welcome Briscoe and

take advantage of the opportunity to grow and learn through her words.

The Rev. Charles Gifford decided to invite Briscoe for this spiritual renewal week when he noticed a need to act more fully on Taylor's mission of diversity.

"In choosing Jill Briscoe, it was my heart's desire to present a female communicator for the largest percentage of our student body to hear a woman communicate the grace and mercy of God," Gifford said.

He felt that the majority of administrative role models at Taylor are males, and he wanted to seize the opportunity to have a powerful female communicator speak to the student body.

Briscoe will address some essentials of a healthy and growing

relationship with Jesus Christ that are pertinent to Taylor students.

Shannon Brady, junior, said that she hopes this week will make a difference throughout the entire

semester in the lives of both her and her peers. "I hope this week

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Briscoe: Saved to serve

Jason Berner
features editor

Spiritual renewal week at Taylor has always been, for the most part, a time when spiritual leaders from beyond the village border come to minister to the student body in a fresh way.

This year, author and speaker, Jill Briscoe, making one of few college appearances, will draw on her years of experience in ministry to convey to students her unique perspective on keeping one's relationship with God vital.

"I've heard about the revival you had here last spring and I want to be the next stage in the rocket of renewal," Briscoe said.

She plans to launch into spiritual renewal week, Monday, with her first chapel message, "The Great Commission," followed by "The Great Compromise" and "The Great Compassion" Wednesday and Friday, respectively.

During the evening services Briscoe will lead students and faculty through 1 Corinthians 13 and the concept of what real love is.

Briscoe, born in Liverpool, England, didn't set out to be an author and speaker, but her conversion gave her a different perspective on her life.

"I was at a missions conference when the leader of a small group asked everyone to tell how they received their call," Briscoe said. "A young girl stood up and simply said, 'I got saved. I was saved to serve.'"

Since her discovery of saving

grace, Briscoe has been involved in several ministries including the Capernwray Missionary Fellowship in England, and Women's Ministries at Elmbrook Church in Waukesha, Wis. She is also co-director of "Telling the Truth" media ministries with her husband of 37 years, Stuart.

Most of Briscoe's ministry also includes working with women and children living in refugee camps throughout the world.

"The women and children are the only ones left; the men are all

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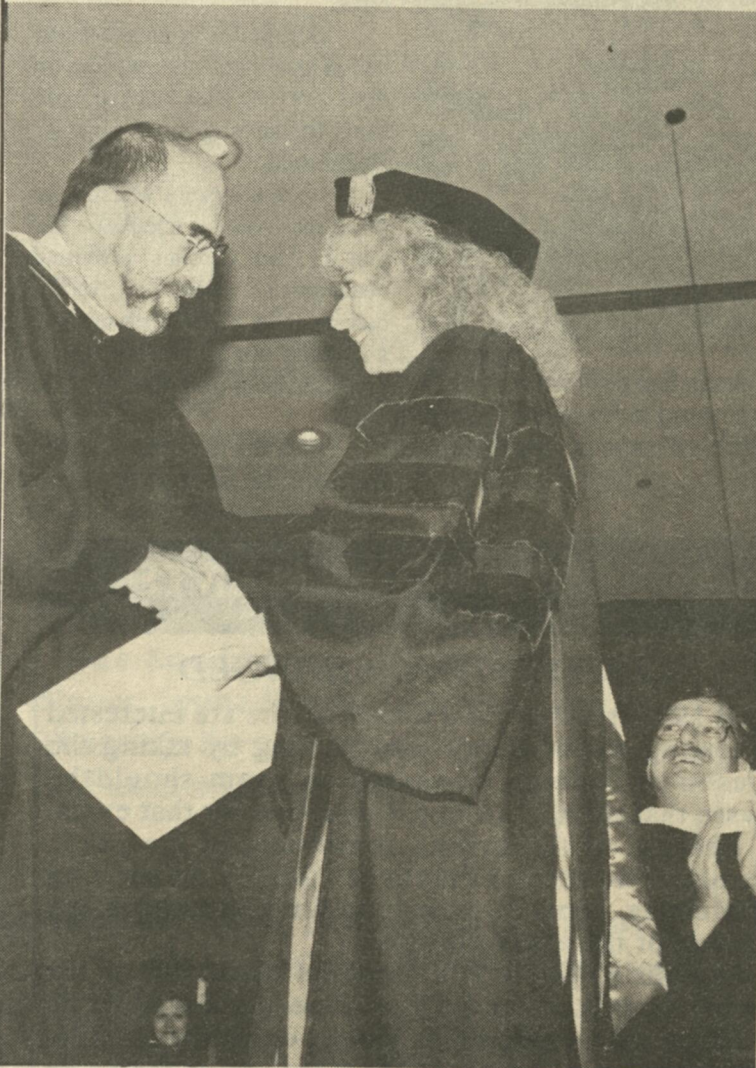


photo by Andy Roan

WITH HONORS — VP for Academic Affairs Dwight Jessup presents Dr. Beulah Baker, professor of English, with the Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award along with a grant of \$1,000 in last Friday's Academic Chapel.

Campus communications get new technology

by Scott Balyo
editor

The speed and scope of communications between Taylor's two campuses will be improved this fall as a result of new telecommunica-

tions systems that is nearing completion.

Academic and technical needs prompted the project, which is the

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dead," Briscoe said. "We try to lead broken people from broken families to a sense of spiritual renewal."

In addition to her missionary work, Briscoe is the author of over 40 books including study guides, children's books, poetry and devotional material.

Her latest release, *It Had To Be a Monday*, published by Tyndale House, seeks to give practical help in accepting, understanding and coping with crisis.

"The book attempts to answer the question of why God allows bad things to happen to good people," Briscoe said.

"The answer is we live in a fallen world but the gospel rolls back redemption."

Even though Briscoe maintains a very busy schedule that takes her all over the world, she still finds time to relax and enjoy the blessings that God has

given to her.

"We try to recreate on the run in the middle of the muddle," Briscoe said.

"I try to enjoy my nine grandchildren, read, write and perform, and direct musical dramas."

Nancy Brunson will be joining Briscoe for the week, ministering to students in the residence halls.

Brunson left her career in the corporate sector after 14 years in management and then went on to earn a master's degree in Evangelism, from the Wheaton College Graduate School.

She will meet with students after the evening service in English Hall Tuesday evening, Gerig Hall Wednesday evening and will complete her sessions in Swallow Robin Thursday evening.

Anyone interested in scheduling Brunson for wing gatherings or special activities, should contact the Campus Pastor's office.

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isn't just an emotional high when people take God out of their pockets for a while," Brady said.

Mike Mohrland, sophomore, is looking for added unity throughout the campus through the renewal week. "I hope that everyone will be open to new ideas and make an effort for more communion with each other," he said.

Mohrland is the discipleship coordinator for the second floor of Morris Hall and he is planning some activities to stimulate even more unity among the members of his floor. In addition to small groups and prayer and praise services, the floor will be working community service projects and

supporting a needy child.

"I hope this week isn't just an emotional high when people take God out of their pocket for a while."

Shannon Brady, junior

Kari Taylor, senior, is a student chaplain assistant, and her excitement lies in the fact that students have an opportunity to renew their spirits in a similar sense to the revival this past spring.

"I want to continue where we left off and take what we've learned and apply it," Taylor said.

An event that was considerably successful last semester was the

cookies and milk gathering in the dining commons. Gifford plans to hold another one Thursday night.

Women will meet for an open forum with Briscoe in the Rediger Auditorium and men will meet for the same purpose with President Jay Kesler in the dining commons. After the separate meetings are over, the women will join the men in the dining commons for cookies and milk.

The idea came from Gifford's grade school experience of regaining innocence when he and his classmates would gather to enjoy cookies and milk, but this time he switched the locations of the men and women for obvious reasons. "All of the cookies were gone before [the men] even got there," he said with an amused chuckle.

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largest portion of a long-range telecommunications plan adopted by the President's Council and the Board of Directors last May.

Interactive television will be one of the new changes. This program will be used for both faculty meetings and classes, according to Bob Hodge, vice-president of planning and information services.

The system will allow a professor in one location to teach a class at another, while students here will be able to take advantage of TU-Ft. Wayne classes.

A classroom on each campus will have equipment installed and minor remodeling done to accommodate cameras, microphones and monitors to let the students and professors at each end of the system see and interact with each other.

"Our goal is to improve education and give students more options, not just seek cheaper solutions for getting more classes," Hodge said.

The new system will also replace the existing telephone system on each campus, providing better service. The existing service had reached its lifetime capacity and could not be used to support any additional programs or buildings.

"With the new phone system there will be more access to services and outside lines," Hodge

said.

Finally, additional data handling capacity was needed between campuses to support the academic programs and the new institutional information system being installed to replace the existing management information system. There will also be increased speed for the Internet data lines.

Sprint/United Telephone was chosen as the vendor to supply the system.

We are very pleased with the product offerings, the system design, the prices negotiated by our consultant, and a mutually advantageous relationship with Sprint/United Telephone," Hodge said.

The plan approved by the Board of Directors contained \$50,000 for faculty development in the use of interactive television. An additional \$80,000 was set aside to fund system refinements over the next two years as program needs are further defined and technology becomes available to meet them.

"The funding for the project comes from a replacement reserve the has been growing for the past 10 years," Hodge said.

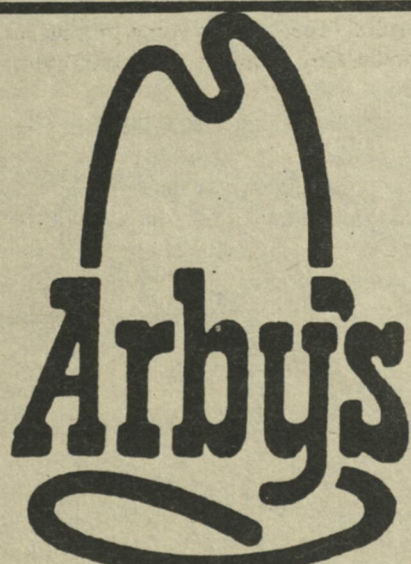
Testing for the interactive video system will be taking place



photo by Andy Roon

I-69 NORTH TO...Normal noises of clanging plates and banging trays in the D.C. were replaced by the familiar sounds of Taylor's own *Exit 59*, Satur-

day. This was the band's first performance at Taylor since recording a demo in Nashville this summer. They were welcomed home by a large crowd.



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ATTENTION STUDENTS:

CLEP TESTING CHANGED

All 1995 freshmen and transfers who are interested in testing out of Expository Writing by taking the Freshman College Composition exam should be aware that there is an Oct. 1 deadline for that exam.

Because of the writing component of the exam, the objective section should be taken by the evening of Monday, Sept. 25., allowing time for writing and scoring of the essay portion.

In addition, there is a requirement of 590 on the verbal section of the SAT or 27 on the verbal ACT.

Those with sophomore, junior, or senior classifications are not subject to the deadline or the score restrictions.

All other exams are available throughout the semester and have no eligibility requirements. If you have any questions, contact Nancy Gore at ext. 5373.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

After reading the article about Taylor's housing policies, I felt as though I needed to respond to some of the opinions expressed. Although I too, have my reservations about these policies, I was disheartened by the negative tone of this article. When I transferred to Taylor last year, I lived in a lounge with four other girls for a few weeks. That wasn't the way I had expected to begin my time at Taylor, but it was not a completely negative experience either. Living in the lounge is an opportunity that not many students have, and although there were some frustrating times, I met numerous people that I would not have gotten to know otherwise. Moving was difficult, but I ended up in a dorm that I grew to love as much as I loved Olson. My new roommate and floormates understood how hard it was for me to be shuffled around campus, and they helped make the transition easier; now, I would never willingly move from the floor on which I currently live.

If I could offer advice to the current "loungies," it would be this: Look at the positive aspects of this situation - you meet more people, you have better furniture and a much bigger room, it's a little cheaper (saving money is always good), and if you don't get along with one of your roommates, you've always got one or two more to befriend. And, rest assured, you probably will not be living in the lounge for the rest of the year. **Erin K. Carter '97**

Dear Editor,

I want to congratulate you on publishing the first issue of *The Echo*! I am looking forward to the work that you will do this year. I am writing, however, to tell you of my disappointment that the cover story and half the editorial were devoted to the issue of the present housing situation. This is an important issue that affects many students, so it needs to be addressed. However, it has been written about last year and now this year, in a manner that criticizes the policies, the people, and the situation, but does not offer any concrete, well-thought out, feasible solutions.

In last week's articles, you contended that freshmen should not live in temporary housing. So what are the options?

Should freshmen students be notified in August that there is just no room, and they will need to find another school or try again second semester? Or would upperclassmen be willing to give up their rooms temporarily and live in study lounges, so the freshmen wouldn't need to?

Should we have a policy that only the first 90 percent of returning students who register can actually have a spot on campus? This would prevent the 93 percent

retention "problem."

Should we force every senior off campus, knowing full well that in this small town, there would not be enough housing for them. How many seniors would want to live in Hartford City, Gas City or Marion and commute?

Should we give every senior a chance to go off campus before we know how many students we will have in the fall? Is this worth the risk of the university losing thousands of dollars a year in the chance that there were many empty residence hall rooms?

Things are definitely not perfect right now on campus. The chapel is not big enough to hold everyone. But realistically, can we build a larger chapel this year to fix this problem? And the D.C. lines are long. But they are also not fully staffed yet with student help. There was no mention of the positive changes that have been made in the decor of the D.C. or the food service in general. Professors also will have more papers to grade and classes to teach. Should they just tell people they will have to take five years through Taylor because they have more students than they want?

While private schools are closing their doors every year, Tay-

lor is having the opposite problem of having too many students. Not only do students want to come to Taylor, but they actually want to stay! What a blessing that is! God is smiling on this campus! He has brought us a student body of high quality, committed Christians to fill up this campus. Unless you like the solutions listed above, this year will take some extra patience, compromise, and a change of attitude to make things work. Use the time in line at the D.C. to talk, study, or play cards. Get to know the students living in the lounges. Then if they switch halls or wings, you can have established friendships that you may never have made had they not lived on your wing for a while.

I implore you as Christian students to make God pleased by your words, deeds, and attitudes. If you have solutions or ideas to improve things, then make them known. But if you don't, realize that with blessings often come adjustments and hardships. View these situations as gifts from God, not as a violation of your personal rights. Phil. 2:14, "Do everything without complaining or arguing..."

Sincerely,
Carol Sisson

Director of Orientation



SAID ONE
DROWNING
MAN
TO
ANOTHER

By JON DIMOS

Fields of Gold

Well, we all have a lot flying around our heads right now, so I think it's appropriate to ask— are you feeling overwhelmed? Do you just have too much on your mind? Do you like it when your prof prays because it finally gives you a chance to close your eyes?

Good. That means you're doing it right.

There's so much to do and learn that there really is no excuse not to be exhausted. All of us (except for, of course, you) are so ignorant about so much that we should squeeze into all the opportunities that present themselves, whether that be doing your homework or finding out just how far St. Louis is from here.

Basically what I am saying is that if you have time for eight hours of sleep every night then you have not understood where you are.

Consider the possibilities here at Taylor. At most schools you head to the bars on the weekends. If you don't, you probably don't have much of a life. More than the "let's get wasted" attitude, I am frowning on the "let's do the same thing every night" shackles that most students face.

Well, here there is no row of bars (thank God), or even a standard hangout (thanks, but no thanks, to Ivanhoe's). Where some are inclined to mope that all that leaves us is a cornfield, I see a freedom that very few schools have.

We pioneer our own ground. We make up our own rules. The sky—well, the Life Together Covenant, is the limit.

Sounds like Taylor administration is paying me to say this, doesn't it?

I fully understand we are in the middle of nowhere, but our greatest curse is also the thing that makes Taylor work. The lack of traditional outlets keeps us from getting locked into a holding pattern. It brings us back to what is important. Instead of what you are

doing, the point becomes who you are with. It is when the focus becomes interpersonal instead of geographical that doing something real falls into place.

I think you will find that the nights that it doesn't matter what you are doing, but who you are with are the nights that you end up never forgetting, instead of the nights that you are looking for something to do and end up at the dollar theatre (\$1.50, excuse me).

For example—I got together with some friends this summer. Because we were interested in being together and not so concerned with what we were doing, we just kinda ended up in Chicago playing shoe golf in the loop. Soon we were trying to figure out how we were going to get Phil's shoe off the El tracks and then trying to explain to the officer how it got there in the first place and 'no, ma'am, we aren't drunk.' It goes without saying that it was a great night (doesn't it?).

All of this brings me back to our cornfields here in Upland. Here the point of dynamic action is you and me. That is something that has been lost in the world, but it is the way things should be. No one should be bored here, not with the freedom we have, not with all that we have to learn, not with so many frisbees laying around, not with so many stars in the sky. Okay, that last one was kind of cheesy, but we all get my point, don't we?

To some this makes about as much sense as Taylor having a wrestling room, but I hold fast to the idea that "there's nothing to do around here" is Taylor's gem in the rough.

Sure this requires that we look at things from a different perspective as the rest of the world. Sure this requires some creative energy, but if that's a problem for you then maybe you should have just gone to Wheaton (insert caustic laugh here).

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Letters to the editor submissions:

Do you have something you want to share with the campus? Letters to the editor are accepted, but they must be no longer than 200 words in length and must be signed by the writer.

Letters must be submitted by 8 p.m. Tuesday to *The Echo* office in the Rupp Communication Arts Center.



photo by Andy Roon

OUTTA MY WAY! — Senior Aaron Sironi attacks the ball as well as his opponent in action against Olivet Nazarene, Saturday. The Trojans won the game and are 2-0-1 heading into the Tri-State Tournament this weekend.

Njoroge, Steele continue seasons where they left off

by Luke Swartz
sports editor

I'd like to begin this week by congratulating Cal Ripken on playing his 2,131 consecutive game. Watching him accomplish this feat moved even this long time New York Yankee fan.

FOOTBALL

The Trojans' season got off to an inauspicious start in a 42-3 spanking by No. 14 ranked Malone. Taylor could only muster 48 total yards on offense, failing to score a touchdown for the first time since 1991.

Trailing only 16-3 at halftime, the Trojans were hurt by two fumbles that led to scores for Malone. The much larger Pioneer squad dominated the remainder of the game.

The only points for Taylor came on a 35-yard field goal by Bill Silva, following a Vic Worthington fumble recovery.

Linebacker J.J. Guedet led the Trojans with 11 tackles. Chad Mulder also recorded the first interception of the year.

Next up for the Trojans is Tri-State led by former Taylor coach Dale Carlson. This will be the first game ever for the Thunder. Will there be extra incentive for the Trojan players facing their former coach?

"Yes," said senior safety Matt Harrell. "We want to go up there and play really physical."

The game is 4 p.m. Saturday in Angola, Ind.

VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Trojans are undefeated after their first two home matches. They defeated Concordia College last Saturday by scores of

15-9, 12-15, 15-3, 15-6. Tuesday, DePauw was the victim, falling to Taylor 15-7, 9-15, 16-14, 15-12.

Sophomore Natalie Steele led the way with 55 kills and 22 digs in the two matches. Freshman setter Heather Pickerell got her career started on the right foot with 43 assists in the first match and 33 assists and 13 digs in the second.

The Lady Trojans travel to the Cedarville Tournament this weekend and then play both Aquinas and Tri-State at Tri-State on Tuesday.

SOCCER

Taylor began its season by tying Malone 2-2 in the first-ever Taylor Invitational last Friday. Goals were scored by freshman Dan Rhodes and sophomore Joel Campbell.

The Trojans recorded their first victory the next afternoon by defeating Olivet Nazarene 2-1. Brandon Mitchell and J.R. Kerr scored the Trojan goals, and goalkeeper Toby Bohl had four saves.

Winning ways continued for the soccer team Tuesday with a 1-0 victory over Anderson. Taylor controlled the game, outshooting the Ravens 28-6 and getting its goal from Rob Mouw early in the second half.

Next up for the Trojans is the Tri-State Tournament this weekend followed by a game at IPFW Tuesday.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Coach Chris Coy is expecting great things of his runners this year. "Our goal is to finish in the top five in the country," Coy said.

Returning two-time All-American James Njoroge as well as four of the other top six runners from last season could be the formula to attaining that lofty goal.

The Trojans started the season well by winning the top nine places in the Taylor Opener versus Marian and Franklin. Njoroge won the race in 26:05, followed by Shadrack Kilemba (27:18), Brandon Benz (27:54) and Josh Pursles (28:00).

Besides these runners, the Trojans also have All-Conference returnees Phil Steiner and Joshua Hawkins. Newcomers to the team include sophomore Matt Schweingruber and freshmen Owen Cooper, Julius Kihumba, Paul Ritchie and Anthony Ronoh. Both Kihumba and Ronoh come to Taylor from Kenya, Africa.

The men run again tomorrow at the Bethel Invitational.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

The women's cross country team looks to grab the MCC title this year as they return six of their top seven runners from a year ago.

"It's a very young team, but they still have experience," coach Ray Bullock said.

Senior Elizabeth Kroeze is back from a stress fracture that slowed her last year and expects to battle for the top spot. Heather Ellison, Christen Milligan, Kelly Newell and April Prast are the juniors who along with sophomore Kristen Horn make up the returnees. Three freshmen round out the Lady Trojan squad - Kate Halgren, Staci Klutz and Stephanie Stenger.

The season started well as Taylor defeated MCC rival Marian 24-35 in a dual meet this week. Ellison took second place with Halgren in third, Kroeze in fifth and Horn in sixth.

The Lady Trojans next action is also at the Bethel Invitational tomorrow.

MEN'S TENNIS

The netters began their season with a 7-2 home-court victory over Tri-State last Saturday.

Matt Tumas won at No. 1 singles in straight sets as did Shawn Flanary (No. 3), John Noble (No. 4), Tim Smith (No. 5) and Chris Petzold (No. 6).

Doubles action saw Flanary and Matt Wanner come from behind at the No. 2 spot. Petzold and Smith breezed to victory at the No. 3 pairing.

The team travels to Huntington to face the always tough Foresters tomorrow afternoon.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Thursday's match with Anderson was rained out. The Lady Trojans play at St. Francis tomorrow.



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